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The Telephone Question-

Furthermore, contrary to the general bellet, competition is not always desirable, as it frequently means a useless waste of capital, and, as was enunclated a few years ago by the highest court of the State of New York, it may be carried on to such an extent as to become a general evil. Let us take for example this very subject of telephone. In many of our cities the high charges for the old telephone have been the cause of new telephone companies starting up. Two such companies in a city cause double expense for poles, wires and central offices. The efficiency of telephone service is lessened by the division of subscribers between the two, and each are at almost the same expense for a small as for a large list of subscribers. To allow the companies a reasonable profit, their charges must be higher than would be necessary than with a single telephone system. The public would, therefore, be better of without competition if reasonable rates were assured and all opportunity for extertion were climinated.

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At this point some one will ask how, without competition, can the quality of the service be expected to be improved and kept abreast of the times? The answer is simple. Under our decisions the public cannot limit the prices so as to cause the company a loss, but may limit it so as to permit the company to earn only a very small profit—say one-half of 1 per cent. This being the case, the seasy to perceive how the public can encourage and insure good service according to the liberality of the profit they allow.

Already we have here laws limiting the charges for hacks, mills, canals, rries, turnpikes, SOME of the teleiones, railroads, street cars and awnbrokers. These laws have been und necessary to prevent extortion, our councilmen are right in their ecry that competition is the best rec for the public to rely on to proceed the property of the public to rely on the hacks, ills, ferries, pawnbrokers, &c., should a left free to charge whatever they case.

i addition to the foregoing, the ry laws of the several States afford amiliar example of legislation to the set extended in the second to repeat these laws, we scarcely lize their popularity. In but a few the States, and these generally the it remote and sparsely settled, do laws allow the money lender to tract for interest without a limit is a significant fact that in our best eloped States there are usury laws, le in the alkali and broomstraw tes full freedom of contract is alied. Generally speaking, as the committy increases the rights of the indual decrease. In a community man liveth unto himself," Examilion reveals the fact that this same be against usury was raised in the ws of Rome, in the Koran of Manet, and in the Laws of China and he Hindoo institutes of Menu, Were

If a company maintains a sphinx-like splence as to its expenses, the public can go ahead and act on the best light before them, and if the company complains of confiscation by being required to operate at a loss, let them show what their expenses are and submit to a cross-examination in court. If a company has lost money in the past, in a vain attempt to cut the throat of a rival, the public cannot be expected to pay at the present time for its past folles.

Equality is equity, and, so far as legislation is concerned, all business rivals should be put upon the same footing. It was in pursuance of this sense of justice that our last legislature enacted a law requiring the Lonisville and Nashville railroad, operating in Southwest Virginia, to reduce its charge for passenger travel from 4 to 3 cents per mile, "as other railroads in Virginia."

If the trust contention that competition is the true panacea for all forms of extortion appeals to our present coupcilmen more than the arguments of the people, they should be ejected at the next election and others substituted in their places who have views that will work more for the public good. If necessary, this subject should be made an issue at the next military of the Virginia Police.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 23d, 1900.

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To the Editor of the Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk, Va.:
Dear Sir-Being in Norfolk on business relative to the affairs of the Southern States Telephone Company, of which I am president, I am informed that the statement has been made that this company is connected with the Southern Bell Telephone company.

pany.

I hereby emphatically deny this statement, and wish to reiterate that the Southern States Telephone company is an absolutely independent company, not connected in any way, chape or form with the Southern Hell Telephone combany. I would thank you to publish this dealal in your valued paper.

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a fine work here, and the Presbyterians are loath to give him up, but they realize the fact that a man of his fine pulpit abilities is needed in larger fields of usefulness.

Miss Nora Burton, one of Lambert's Point's most, popular and attractive young ladies, will leave next Thursday for Guynns Island, Mathews county, on a protracted visit to her sister, Miss Bessie Burton. She will be accompanied by Miss Mamle Hudgins, who will visit relatives at Mathews Courthouse.

A surprise party will be given here Monday night, which promises to be a swell affair.

Master Ray Long, who has been seriously ill with typhoid fever at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Long, of Lambert's Point road, was reported by his physician yesterday to be slightly improved.

Mrs. Acklebce is ill at her home on Seeley avenue.

Special cars over the Norfolk and Atlantic Terminal road carried a large number of people to the Country Club last night.

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A party of young ladies and gentlemen are making active preparations for a social to be given here on Thanksgiving night. A fine selection of musical gems will be an attractive feature. At intervals during the evening refreshments will be served.

Thursday night Messrs. R. F. Smith and James Ferguson, accompanied by two other friends, spent all night in Tanner's Creek and Sewall's Point sections coon hunting. They succeeded in capturing eight.

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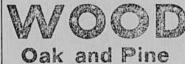
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